

Proclamation

WHEREAS, Louisiana SenioRx program operates through the Governor's Office

of Elderly Affairs and links eligible seniors with free and discount

drugs provided by pharmaceutical companies; and

WHEREAS, since November 2003, SenioRx has acquired approximately 30,000

thirty-day prescriptions, serving more than 2,400 people at a savings

of \$2.1 million dollars; and

WHEREAS, in the first four months, every dollar Louisiana invested in SenioRx

has been matched by \$8.78 in donated prescription drugs; and

WHEREAS, SenioRx serves Louisiana's most vulnerable citizens; and

WHEREAS, access to needed medicines is expected to reduce other state medical costs, such as expensive charity hospital emergency room and doctor

visits, as well as accelerated financial eligibility for Medicaid; and

WHEREAS, four pilot programs operate in Baton Rouge, Lafayette, Alexandria

and Monroe and serve 41 parishes.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Kathleen Babineaux Blanco, Governor of the state of Louisiana, do hereby proclaim June 3, 2004, as

SENIORX DAY

in the state of Louisiana.

Attest By The Governor In Nilness Whereof, I have hereunto sel my hand officially and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Louisiana, at the Capitol, in the City of Baton Rouge, on this

the 2nd day of June

A.D., _____2004_

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Governor of Louisiana